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Pay and leave of copyists in the several districts.

*1261 Q.—Mr. C. Ramasomayajulu: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether he received any memorials within the last two months from the copyists in the several districts requesting that privilege leave and provident fund be attached to the posts and that the scale of copyists be raised to Rs. 35—45—50 per month; and

(b) whether the Government have passed any orders thereon and if so, whether the same would be placed on the Council table?

A.—(a) & (b) Memorials from certain copyists employed in the Guntur district have been received and are under the consideration of the Government.

Mr. P. Anjaneyulu:—"May I know whether these memorials were sent to the Government direct or through the High Court?"

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks:—"Notice, Sir."

Mr. C. Ramasomayajulu:—"May I take it that orders will be passed before the launching of the next budget?"

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks:—"I could not say, Sir."

Mr. K. V. R. Swami:—"Is it not a fact that this question has been before the Government for a very long time?"

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks:—"Not so far as I am aware, Sir."

Mr. P. Anjaneyulu:—"May I know whether the consideration of the question by Government is sympathetic towards the copyists?"

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks:—"It is always sympathetic, Sir." (Laughter.)

Extent of irrigation in Korlagondi village.

*1262 Q.—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the total cultivable area of Korlagondi village, Bellary taluk, Bellary district;

(b) the extents sown with early and late crops respectively and also the extents under groundnut, cholam, cotton and sajja with its average outturn under each class; and

(c) whether the collection of the current land revenue has been postponed and whether the arrears, if any, has been remitted?

A.—(a) The total occupied area of the village is 5,851 acres. How much is actually cultivable is a matter of estimate.

(b) The Government have not the information.

(c) No orders to this effect have been proposed or issued.

Mr. R. Nagan Gowda:—"May I know whether the Government are aware that dry crops in the Bellary district are withering for want of rain?"

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks:—"Notice, Sir."